

**STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES DIVISION
BEFORE THE IOWA UTILITIES BOARD**

IN RE: ITC MIDWEST LLC	 DOCKET NO. E-20994, AM18
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**NOTICE OF NON-COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION AND
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

ITC Midwest LLC (“ITC Midwest”), pursuant to Iowa Code § 478.21 and 199 IAC (“Board Rule”) 11.5(5), hereby notifies the Iowa Utilities Board (“Board”) that ITC Midwest will not complete the improvement for which an amended electric transmission line franchise was granted by the Board in the above-captioned docket on October 7, 2014, by the two-year deadline. As such, ITC Midwest petitions the Board for a two-year extension of time for ITC Midwest to construct such improvement. In support of its petition, ITC Midwest states:

1. Iowa Code § 478.21(1) and Board Rule 11.5(5)“c” provide that unless the holder of a franchise petitions the Board for an extension of time, the franchise shall be forfeited by the holder and revoked by the Board if the improvement for which the franchise was granted is not constructed in whole or in part within two years from the date the franchise is granted. Iowa Code § 476.21(2) authorizes the Board to grant one or more extensions of time, for periods up to two years for each extension, upon a showing of sufficient justification for the delay of construction.

2. On October 15, 2013, ITC Midwest filed a petition in Docket No. E-20994, AM18, requesting an amendment to ITC Midwest’s previously granted Franchise No. 16945. The petition specifically requested the Board to allow ITC Midwest to rebuild approximately

0.07 miles of existing 34.5 kV line in Linn County to 69 kV standards for purposes of tapping into a substation at the Duane Arnold Energy Center (“DAEC”) (the “DAEC Tap Line”). On October 7, 2014, the Board granted ITC Midwest’s petition and issued the eighteenth amendment to the Linn County franchise. However, construction on the DAEC Tap line cannot begin until ITC Midwest finalizes an easement on the DAEC property in Palo, Iowa, which is owned by NextEra Energy Resources.

3. ITC Midwest has been diligently working with the DAEC on obtaining the appropriate easement, which has been delayed due to some modifications of the location of the ITC Midwest line on the DAEC property. ITC Midwest anticipates that the location and easement agreement will be finalized and executed by year end 2016, and expects to begin construction in spring 2017 and complete construction by end of summer 2017.

WHEREFORE, ITC Midwest respectfully requests that the Board grant a two-year extension – from October 7, 2016 to October 7, 2018 – for ITC Midwest to construct, in whole or in part, the improvement for which the 18th amendment of Franchise No. 16945 was issued on October 7, 2014.

Dated October 5, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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